

**BULLETIN FOR TRINITY MARBURG, ST JOHN'S MINDEN,
OUR SAVIOUR LOWOOD.**

2nd Sunday after Pentecost 29th May 2018.

Closed Communion

The A.E.L.C upholds the historical, biblical and Lutheran practice of closed communion. Therefore we ask that only A.E.L.C members come forward for communion.

LUKE 7:1-10

HYMNS: 906, 903, 566, 849, 625, 865.

INTROIT: Psalm 81: 1-10,13.

P Sing aloud to God, our Strength! Shout loudly to the God of Jacob!

C **Begin to sing a melody, and play the tambourine, the delightful lyre, and the harp!**

P Blow the horn at the new moon, at the full moon, and on the day of our Feast!

C **For this is a Prescription for Israel, a Decision of the God of Jacob.**

P He set it in place as a Testimony for Joseph, when he went throughout the land of Egypt. I used to hear a language that I did not understand:

C **“I have removed the burden from his shoulder. His hands have been freed from the basket.**

P “When you were in trouble, you called out, and I rescued you. I answered you in the secret place of thunder. I tested you at the water of Meribah.

C **“Listen, my people, that I may admonish you, O Israel, if you will listen to Me!**

P “There shall be no strange god among you. You shall not worship any foreign god.

C **“I am the LORD, your God, and I have brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, that I may fill it!**

All: **“If only My people would listen to Me! If only Israel would walk in My ways!**

COLLECT: O God, by Your almighty Word You set in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away all things hurtful, and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

READINGS:

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 5:12-15.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Gospel: Luke 7:1-10.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

The text for our sermon for this Sunday is written in Luke 7:1-10, which was our Gospel reading before.

1 When Jesus had finished all His sayings to the people who were listening to Him, He entered Capernaum. **2** A certain centurion had a slave, who was dear to him, and who was sick and about to die.

3 When the centurion heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to Him to ask Him to come and heal his slave. **4** They came to Jesus and earnestly pleaded with Him, “He deserves to have You do this for him, **5** because he loves our nation, and he has personally built the synagogue for us.”

6 Jesus began to go with them. He was not far from the house when the centurion sent friends to tell Him, “Lord, do not trouble Yourself! For I do not deserve that You should come in under my roof. **7** That is why I did not think that I was worthy to come to You either. Rather, just give an order, and let my servant be healed!

8 For I also am a man placed under authority, and I have soldiers under myself. I order one of them, ‘Go!’ and he goes; and another, ‘Come!’ and he comes. I order my slave, ‘Do this!’ and he does it.”

9 When Jesus heard these words, He was astonished at him. He turned to the crowd that was following Him and said, “I tell you, I have not found such great faith, even in Israel.”

10 When the messengers returned to the house, they found that the slave was well.

Lord God, heavenly Father, sanctify in Your truth. Your Word is truth.
Amen.

BELIEVE IN GOD

Do not let your hearts be troubled Trust in God; trust also in me.

John 14:1

Christ is saying here, "You have heard that you should trust in God. But I want to show you how to really find Him so you won't start worshipping something you made up in your head. If you want to trust in the true God, then trust in Me. If you want to invest your faith and trust in the right place, where it will never fail, then invest in Me. For all of God lives in Me." Later He tells them, "**I am the way and the truth and the life**" (John 14:6). In other words, "Whoever sees Me sees the Father. Whoever hears Me hears the Father. Therefore, if you want to meet God, then take hold of Him in Me and through Me. If you have Me, you also have the Father. The Father Himself testifies about Me." In the Gospels, Jesus repeatedly declares that He is from the Father. He doesn't speak and act on His own. Instead, the Father commands the whole world to believe that Christ is God. No one should believe in any other person or accept any other way to know God than Christ.

So it's certain that whoever tries to go around Christ won't meet the true God. God is completely in Christ and places Himself in Christ for us. No one will be able to succeed in dealing with God apart from Christ. No one will find God on the basis of human thoughts and devotion.

Whoever wants to take the right path with their faith and not lose their way should begin where God has placed the path and where God wants to be found. Otherwise, everything they do and believe is useless.

[Faith Alone: Martin Luther.]

>>Divine Service 10th June [Green]
Readings: Psalm 130
Old Testament: Genesis 3:8-15
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1
Gospel: Mark 3:20-35.

9am Trinity Marburg HC
3rd Sunday after Pentecost
Bible study Augsburg C 3.
Hymns:339, 204, 384, 195, 287, 159.

>>Divine Service 17th June [Green]
Readings : Psalm 1
Old Testament: Ezekiel 17:22-24
Epistle: 2nd Corinthians 5:1-17
Gospel: Mark 4:26-34.

9am St John's Minden HC
4th Sunday after Pentecost
Hymns : 577, 500, 601, 507, 618, 923.
Bible study Augsburg C 4.

>> Just a reminder to those who have copies of the LSB hymnal to bring them to the Minden Service' to help out with numbers..

>>Divine Service 24th June [Green]
Readings: Psalm 124
Old Testament : Job 38:1-11
Epistle: 2 Corinthians: 6:1-13
Gospel: Mark 4:35-41.

9am Our Saviour Lowood HC
5th Sunday after Pentecost
Bible study Augsburg C5.
LSB Hymns:578, 524,341, 301, 289, 616.

>>BIBLE STUDIES:

The AUGSBURG CONFESSION -- directly after Church every Sunday -- 1hour studies only -- for everyone, confirmation students and up; -- Bring your Bible. -- quick cuppa and biscuit.

>>Next mid week Bible Study Thursday 21st June at Lowood 10am.

>> The next CoC meeting is on Saturday June the 9th at 10am, Troy's Rd Toowoomba. If anyone requires a lift let the Pastor know.

>> Confirmation Class is on every Friday afternoon at MARBURG 4.15pm to start by 4.30 except on School Holidays.

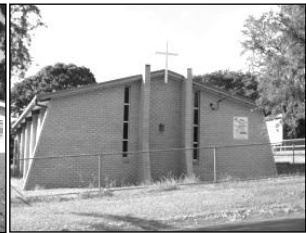
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